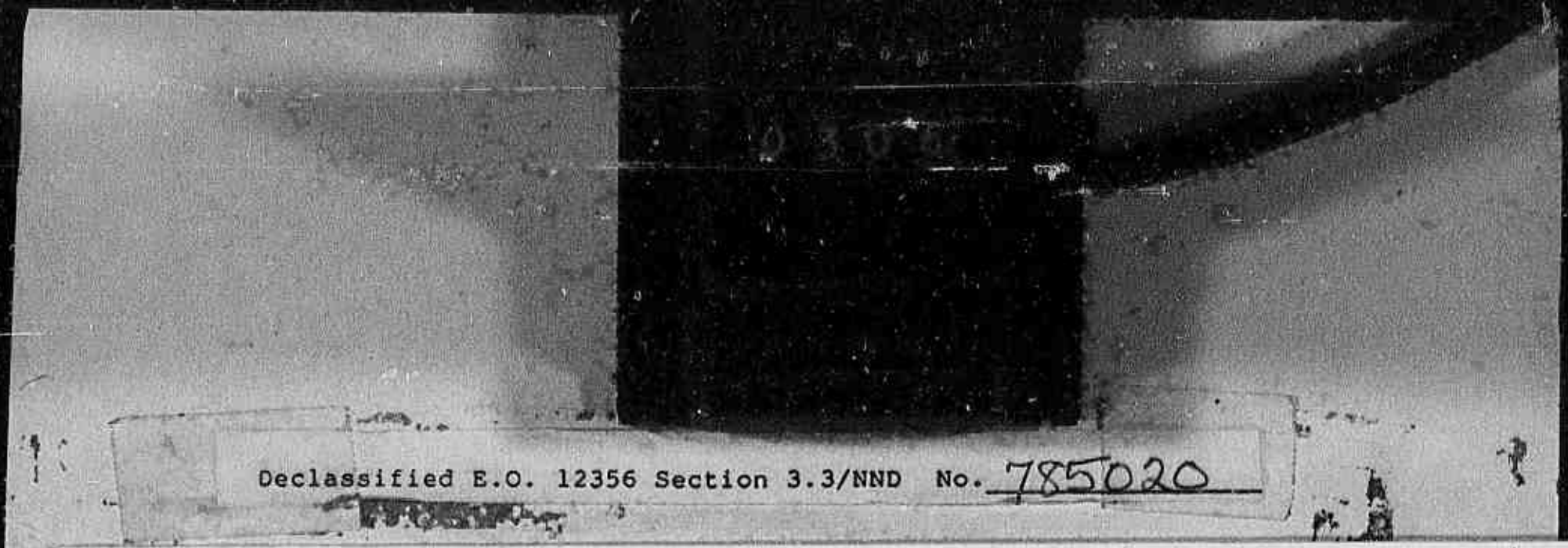

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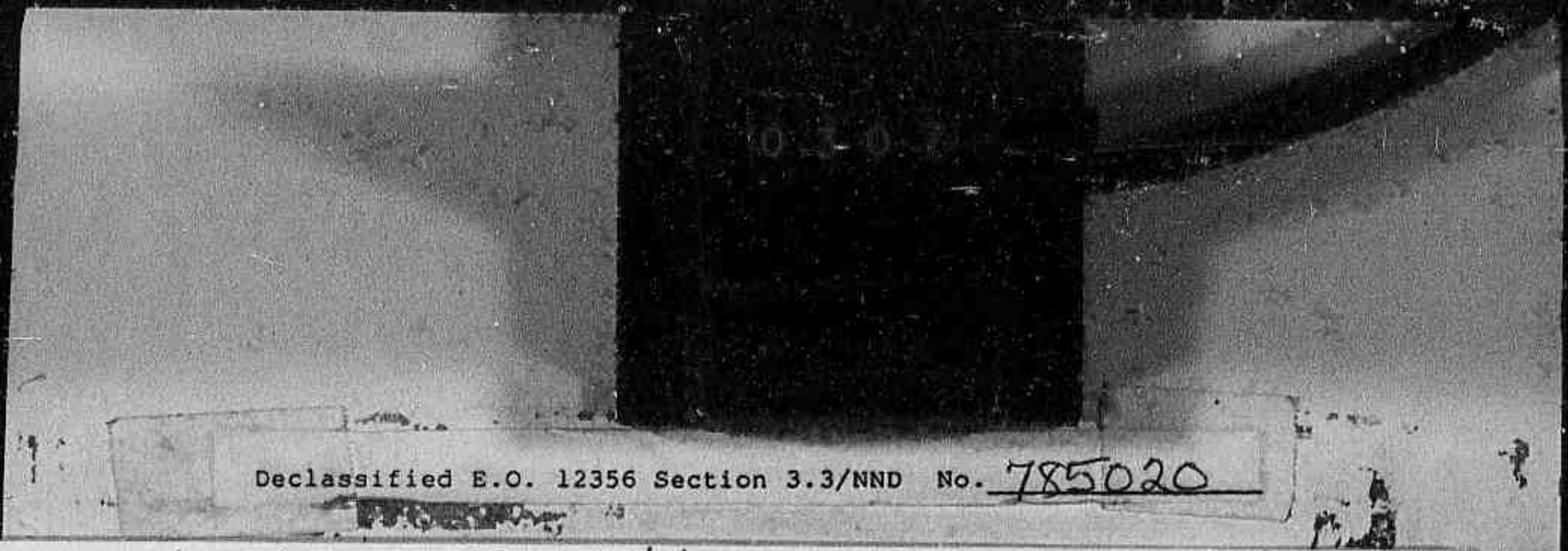

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Further to previous communication, it is notified that Lt.Col A. ANGELONI will be relieved in his function as deputy C of S by Col. A FERRARA, and in that of interpreter by Capt. R.RONCATI, both of whom are already serving in this office.

Signed IL GENERALE DI BRIGATA

(G.C. TAMASSIA)

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EXTRACT. from Confidential letter 51 MLU. File 300/s folio 47.

6. Colonel ARTURO FERRARA.

(i) Infantry. Age approx 53.
(ii) Commanding 22 INF. Regt.
(iii) A Regimental Officer. Joined CREMONA in 1915 but has served in other divisions since. Fought on ABYSSINIA, GREECE and CROATIA.
(iv) A trier. Commands every platoon in his Regiment. Argues fiercely against ever doing anything definite but when finally bludgeoned into doing an attack will lead it in person. Honest and sincere.
(v) Royalist.
(vi) Too old for his job but this is almost universal. Has a fair idea of modern methods and justifies his existence.

EXTRACT. from Confidential letter DO/H Senior Liaison Officer File A 301s folio 72.

4. Colonel FERRARA.

Before Brian WEBB CARTER went on FLYAP, General PRIMIERI promised him that Colonel FERRARA would be substituted if a better regimental commander could be found. Nothing has happened. This Colonel is a brave man but a poor administrator and a poor disciplanarian. WEBB CARTER asked me to take the matter up again. I am sure someone could be found and would like to suggest Col. CAROPRESE at present Chief of Staff to the PBS Admin Div. at Naples. I don't know if he is senior enough but he is one of the best Italian Officers I know.

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